

HILO NEWS LETTER.

The new Collector of customs for the port of Hilo, Mr. C. L. Crabbe, arrived on the Kikanu and has been installed in his new position. Mr. L. Severance, who has held the position with honor since December, 1870, retires. He has certainly been a faithful officer, always attentive to his business, courteous and gentlemanly to all.

Another literary and musical treat was given at the house of L. Severance, Esq., which occurred on the 5th inst. Rain did not seem to have kept the people from coming for they knew full well that it would pay to turn out even though they were certain it would rain in buckets-full. Mrs. S. L. Austin was at the helm this time and a grand time was certain, for she knows how to cater for the people's taste, having had such rare experience in getting up entertainments. The programme must be given and was as follows:

Piano duett, Mrs. J. Corwin and Mrs. Severance; reading, Mr. Huntsman; vocal duett, Miss Ellen Lyman and Mrs. Helen Severance; piano duett, Mrs. J. P. Sisson and Mrs. H. C. Austin; reading, Mrs. E. P. Baker; music on the bagpipes, Mr. James Hunter; vocal solo, Mrs. C. H. W. Hitchcock; piano solo, Mrs. J. Corwin; charade, in which Mrs. Severance, Miss Alameda Hitchcock and H. C. Austin, were the actors. The reading by Mrs. Baker, wife of the pastor of the Foreign church, was on Political Economy, and very interesting. It was listened to with great pleasure from beginning to end. Mrs. Corwin's piano playing was a great treat. The vocal duett by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Austin was good, and the first time they have sung together for these entertainments. Mr. James Hunter's bagpipe playing was excellent. He was dressed in character as the Stuart Parian. He had secured many prizes in his own country (Scotland) for bagpipe playing. His performance was a genuine treat for all.

The pulpit of Haili Church, that has been there since the church was erected is gone, and a new cabinet organ has been placed where it stood. A large platform, raised about four feet from the floor with a railing, is where the choir sit, and the pulpit is more like a desk, about four feet long by one foot broad. Three highback chairs, beautifully upholstered, lately arrived from California expressly for the church pulpit. The organ, made by Estey, was presented by Dr. H. M. Lyman of Chicago. There were services in the church on Sunday the 6th inst. There was some excellent singing by the choir of Haili and foreign churches, about eighteen voices, an organ solo by Mrs. Severance, a vocal solo by Mrs. H. C. Austin and repeating the ten commandments in native and foreign; also addresses by Hon. J. Nawahi and Hon. J. T. Baker, in which each spoke of their desire to see a better observance of the Sabbath on the islands, and by Judge Lyman on the same subject. J. A. M.

Large Pumping Plant.

Messrs. H. P. Faye & Co. of Mana, Kauai, have recently placed an order with Mr. John Dyer, agent of the Risdon Iron Works, for a pumping plant of 7,000,000 gallons capacity per twenty-four hours to a height of 50 ft., also half a mile of 24 in. diameter steel pipe. The engines will be compound condensing with direct acting plunger pumps of the most modern high-duty construction.

The Risdon Iron Works built and erected the large pumps at Lake Merced for the Spring Valley Water Works, the compound steam cylinders being 24 in. and 56 in. diameter and six ft. stroke, the pump plungers being 24 in. diameter and six ft. stroke, and are the largest on the Pacific Coast; the guaranteed capacity was 8,000,000 gallons per day of twenty-four hours, and in a test made by Mr. Dyer and a representative of the Spring Valley Company, these pumps handled 14,000,000 gallons of water in twenty-four hours to a height of 325 ft. through ten miles of pipe to the San Francisco reservoirs. Mr. Dyer also stated that his firm were supplying the Hawaiian Sugar Company's plantation at Makaweli, Kauai, with a complete hydraulic riveting plant for the 40 in. steel pipe, which is also being furnished by the Risdon works.

The Risdon Iron Works have taken a leading part in all the most important engineering enterprises on the Pacific Coast and the Hawaiian Islands. Hydraulic riveting was first introduced in the United States by them nearly twenty years ago, and they also claim the honor of building the first triple-expansion engine on this side of the Atlantic.

The hydraulic pumping machinery in the combination shaft, Virginia City, is another product of the Risdon works; these pumps are located 3500 ft. below the surface, the deepest in the world, and are operated under the enormous pressure of 2,700 pounds per square inch, the pump plungers being 18 in. diameter and 10 ft. stroke.

It was through the influence and recommendation of Mr. Joseph Moore of the Risdon works, that double crushing was first introduced in the Hawaiian Islands at Spreckelsville, and without which at the present time no mill is considered complete. Mr. Joseph Moore has long since retired from the active management of the works, and the position is now ably filled by his son, Mr. R. S. Moore.

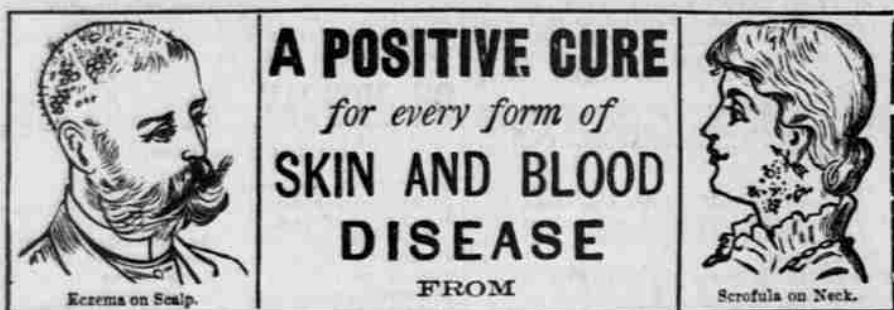
Reception at the Palace.

On Monday week H. R. H. Princess Liliuokalani, heir apparent, and Hon. John O. Dominis, received a number of ladies and gentlemen in the blue room at Iolani Palace. At 11 o'clock Mr. James W. Robertson, H. M.'s Vice Chamberlain presented Mrs. T. W. Everett of Waikanae and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Everett of New York; at 11:15 o'clock, Mr. John H. Paty, Mrs. F. M. Hatch, Miss Julie B. Paty, Mrs. J. O. Carter and Miss Mary N. Carter of Honolulu; Mrs. Stephen Rand, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. John F. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Whiting, Mrs. Wm. J. Dalton, Miss Lizzie Caverly, Miss Jessie Eastman, Masters J. S. Merrill and F. C. Carter of San Francisco.

After a brief conversation with the Princess the whole party were shown through the palace, and also the feather cloaks, kahilis, etc.

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